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SUBJECT: ROCKEFELLER BROS. FUND VISITORS

1. EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF FUND, DR. WILLIAM DIETEL, ACCOMPANIED BY WILLIAM MOODY, WILL VISIT SOUTH AFRICA AND BOTSWANA, DEPARTING U.S. MAY 21. BOTSWANA PROGRAM BEING ARRANGED BY JAMES SHERBURNE BEGINNING MAY 24. VISITORS WILL PROBABLY WISH TO CALL AT EMBASSY. PURPOSE OF BOTSWANA VISIT IS TO REVIEW FUND'S ACTIVITIES THERE.

2. SOUTH AFRICAN PROGRAM BEING ARRANGED BY USSALEP BEGINNING MAY 28. THEY PLAN DEPART JOHANNESBURG EARLY EVE MAY 30. PURPOSE OF VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA IS ALSO TO REVIEW FUND ACTIVITIES, ESPECIALLY SUPPORT PROVIDED FOR USSALEP, AND TO GET CURRENT READING OF RACE SITUATION ALONG WITH VIEW OF ROLE OF U.S. FIRMS SO THAT FUND CAN VOTE ITS SHARES IN LIGHT OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO RACIAL PROGRESS.

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3. USSALEP PROGRAM FOR VISITORS CALLS FOR TOUR OF SOWETO
MORNING MAY 30. FOLLOWING THIS, VISITORS HAVE ASKED
WHETHER CONGEN COULD PUT ON LUNCHEON FOR APPROXIMATELY SIX
GUESTS, PLUS VISITORS AND CONGEN OFFICERS, AT CONSULATE AS
DONE FOR WAYNE FREDERICKS. THEY WILL BE HAPPY TO PAY
LUNCHEON EXPENSES AND LEAVE SELECTION OF GUESTS TO CONGEN.
SINCE THEY WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET NUMEROUS WHITES

THROUGH USSALEP, THEY WOULD PREFER TO MEET SIMILAR BUT
SMALLER GROUP OF BLACKS AS INVITED TO FREDERICKS
LUNCHEON. GUTHRIE AND FOLEY ENDORSE THIS PROPOSAL. RUSH

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